

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-24 and add claims 25-31 for examination in the present application as follows.

CLAIMS

25. (NEW) A spinning wheel bonus indicator comprising:

a wheel shaped indicator having an axis of rotation and which is provided with a plurality of segments radiating from said axis of rotation, wherein:
said segments are associated with at least two different indicia; and
said wheel shaped indicator adapted for a rotating mode and a stationary mode about said axis of rotation;
a pointer associated with said wheel shaped indicator to point to one of said plurality of segments when said wheel shaped indicator is in said stationary mode;
a controller receptive to a monetary input and operative to control said rotating mode and said stationary mode of said wheel shaped indicator such that said pointer is aligned with a predetermined segment of said wheel shaped indicator; and
wherein said spinning bonus wheel indicator is an integral part of a game apparatus at which a player can play a game unaided.

26. (NEW) The spinning wheel bonus indicator as recited in Claim 25, wherein said at least two different indicia comprise two different numeric values displayed within two different segments of said wheel shaped indicator.

27. (NEW) The spinning wheel bonus indicator as recited in Claim 25, wherein said at least two different indicia comprise two different symbolic values displayed within two different segments of said wheel shaped indicator.

28. (NEW) The spinning wheel bonus indicator as recited in Claim 25, wherein said wheel shaped indicator is in a form of a mechanical wheel on said game apparatus.

29. (NEW) The spinning wheel bonus indicator as recited in Claim 28, wherein said mechanical wheel is driven by a motor.

30. (NEW) The spinning wheel bonus indicator as recited in Claim 29, wherein said motor is a stepper motor.


31. (NEW) The spinning wheel bonus indicator as recited in Claim 29, wherein said motor is a servo motor.

CONCLUSION

If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 838-4311.

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